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On the 5th of October, 1862, while at home, he was arrested by order of General Alvin P. Hovey, commanding the military district of Indiana, and has ever since been confined in the military prison at Indianapolis.

On the 21st day of October, 1864, he was brought before a military commission, composed of Judges of the District Court, and Hovey, tried on certain charges and specifications, found guilty, and sentenced to be hanged, and the sentence ordered to be executed on Friday the 13th day of May, 1865.

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